

321—13.2(17A) Definitions. Except where otherwise specifically defined by law:

“*Commission*” means the commission of elder affairs as established in Iowa Code chapter 231.

“*Contested case*” means a proceeding defined by Iowa Code section 17A.2(5) and includes any matter defined as a no factual dispute contested case under Iowa Code section 17A.10A.

“*Department*” means the department of elder affairs.

“*Director*” means the director of the department.

“*Issuance*” means the date of mailing of a decision or order or date of delivery if service is by other means unless another date is specified in the order.

“*Party*” means each person or department named or admitted as a party or properly seeking and entitled as of right to be admitted as a party.

“*Presiding officer*” means the commission, the commission’s designee or an administrative law judge.

“*Proposed decision*” means the presiding officer’s recommended findings of fact, conclusions of law, decision, and order in a contested case in which the commission did not preside.